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## 1. INDOCHINA

NYT (REUTER) NOTES THURS RESUMPTION US-SRV TALKS AT PARIS ON ESTABLISHING DIPL/TRADE RELS. REUTER (PARIS) REPORTS US/SRV NEGOTIATORS MET 3-1/2 HRS; AGREED RESUME DISCUSSIONS FRI. EA'S HOLBROOKE DESCRIBED DISCUSSIONS AS VERY USEFUL; HANOI'S PHAN HIEN TOLD NEWSMEN ATMOSPHERE SAME AS BEFORE. US OFFICIAL SAYS OUR LINE IS "NO REPARATIONS." UNCLASSIFIED

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LESCAZE (WP) SAYS SRV 6/1 ACKNOWLEDGED RECD NIXON'S 1973
ADVICE THAT ANY AID WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY CONGRESS.
PHAN HIEN AT PARIS REITERATED TO FRIENDSHIPMENT DEL HANOI'S
VIEW THAT NIXON PLEDGE STILL BINDING; ADDED SRV DID NOT
PUBLISH PARAGRAPH RE CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESSES SIMULTANEOUSLY
WITH OTHER PART MESSAGE BECAUSE WAS NOT DISCUSSED IN PHAM
VAN DONG REPLY/HANOI CONSIDERS IT US INTERNAL AFFAIR. PHAN
HIEN STATED US WANTED MAKE PARAGRAPH PART OF ORIGINAL
MESSAGE BUT AGREED MAKE IT ADDENDUM AFTER HANOI EXPRESSED
OPINION SUCH MATTERS WERE DOMESTIC CONCERNS. ALSO SAID SRV

HAS MINUTES HAK/LE DUC THO MTGS/UNPUBLISHED NIXON MESSAGE ON AID THAT WILL MAKE PUBLIC "WHEN IT IS NECESSARY."

#### 2. KOREA

IN 6/6 "U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT" INTERVIEW PRES CARTER DEFENDS US GROUND FORCES PULLOUT. SAYS ORDERLY W/DRAWAL OVER NEXT 4-5 YRS WILL LEAVE MIL BALANCE THERE UNCHANGED. MENTIONS US AIR/NAVAL/INTELL SUPPORT WILL CONTINUE. NOTES CHANGES WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED W/CONTINUING CLOSE CONSULTATION W/ROKG/JAPAN/AUSTRALIA/NZ/OTHER PLACES IN PAC; USSR/PRC KEPT INFORMED. ASKED IF PULLOUT CARRIES IMPLICATION US READY USE TACTICAL NUKE WEAPONS IF NECESSARY PROTECT SK, PRES REPLIES DEPLOYMENT IMPLIES POSSIBILITY OF USE IF NECESSARY

DOS 6/1 SOUGHT CLARIFY PRES' STATEMENT AT LAST WK'S PRESS CONF THAT MANY PEOPLE, INCL PRES PARK, "ADVOCATED" REMOVAL US GROUND TROOPS FROM SK; ROKG MADE DIPL REPRESENTATIONS OBJECTING THAT CARTER'S COMMENT INACCURATE. DOS' TRATTNER STATED PRES CARTER HAD IN MIND PAST STATEMENTS BY PARK THAT SK'S AIM IN IMPROVING ARMED FORCES IS TO ACHIEVE MEANS DEFEND SELF VS NK ATTACK W/O INVOLVING USE US GROUND FORCES (REUTER WASHINGTON).

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REV MUN IK HWAN, SERVING 5-YR SENTENCE FOR AGITATION VS ROKG, VOWS FAST TO DEATH UNLESS DEMOCRACY RESTORED. SOURCES SAY BEGAN HUNGER STRIKE 15 DAYS AGO (SAAR, WP).

### 3. JAPAN

FIVE MEN FROM JAPANESE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION LEFT FOR WASHINGTON 6/2 TO CONTINUE NEGOTS OVER STARTUP JAPAN'S NUKE FUEL REPROCESSING PLANT (WP).

JAPANESE AUTHORITIES ANNOUNCE PLANS EASE/DISMANTLE SERIES RESTRICTIONS ON CAPITAL FLOWS/INVESTMENTS. LIMITS ON FREE YEN ACCOUNTS HELD BY NON-RESIDENTS WILL BE ELIMINATED/FON BANKS ABLE CONVERT MORE FON CURRENCIES INTO YEN (WELS, JOC).

BANK OF JAPAN GOV SAYS TOKYO WILL NOT LOWER FURTHER OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE AS DESIRED BY BUSINESS COMMUNITY, BECAUSE JAPAN'S ECONOMY TURNING UPWARD. ALSO SAID PLANNED 6.7 PCT GROWTH RATE FOR FY76 MOST LIKELY ACHIEVED (UPI, JOC).

UK PLANS PURSUE VIGOROUS EXPORT EFFORT TO JAPAN OVER NEXT FEW MONTHS WHILE ARGUING ABOUT ALLOWING GREATER JAPANESE MARKET OPPORTUNITIES FOR BRITISH FIRMS. UK

TRADE SEC DELL SAYS BRITAIN MUST KEEP UP STRONG PRESSURE IF IT WANTS ACHIEVE SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT IN TRADE

W/JAPAN (JOC).

JAPAN WHALING ASSN SPOKESMAN SAYS JAPAN WILL MAKE DEMAND, AT THIS MONTH'S INTL WHALING COMMISSION MTG IN CANBERRA, THAT CATCH QUOTAS/PRESERVATION OF WHALES INSIDE INDIVIDUAL TERRITORIAL WATERS COME UNDER INTL CONTROL (REUTER TOKYO 6/1).

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MITI SURVEY REPORTS JAPAN'S ECONOMY FINALLY BEGINNING RECOVER FROM DEEP BUSINESS RECESSION, ALTHO AT SLOW PACE. DOMESTIC DEMAND INCREASING/EXPORTS CONTINUING AT STRONG RATE; BUSINESS ACTIVITY PICKING UP ACROSS WIDE RANGE, BUT SOME LESS-COMPETITIVE INDUSTRIES STILL IN SERIOUS TROUBLE. MITI ALSO EXPECTS FY76 REAL GROWTH RATE 5-6 PCT (CULLISON, JOC TOKYO).

KAMM (NYT TOKYO) DOES ITEM ON YOHEI KONO, HEAD LDP SPLINTER GROUP, "NEW LIBERAL CLUB." REPORTS NLC ENTERING 11 CANDIDATES IN JULY'S UPPER HOUSE ELECTION/ALL GIVEN CHANCE WINNING. KONO VAGUE ON ISSUES/UNCLEAR WHY HE LEFT LDP W/O MARKEDLY DIFFERENT PROGRAM TO PROPOSE. KAMM NOTES NLC'S YOUTHFUL IMAGE FURTHERED BY RULE BARRING ANYONE OLDER THAN 55 BECOMING PARTY'S PRES/SEC.

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA LEAVES 6/3 FOR 1ST TOUR OF JAPAN. GROUP TO PLAY 14 CONCERTS IN 8 CITIES OVER 27 DAYS (WILLIS, CHITRIB).

#### 4. MALAYSIA

NORWEGIAN CRUISE SHIP "RASA SAYANG" CAUGHT FIRE IN MALACCA STRAIT 6/2, W/900 PASSENGERS/CREW MEM BERS ABOARD (AP, WP). SOME 653 PASSENGERS TRANSFERRED BY LIFEBOAT TO PASSING JAPANESE TANKER; 10 HRS AFTER OUTBREAK, FIRE REPORTED UNDER CONTROL (REUTER KL).

### 5. INDONESIA

PERTAMINA REACHES AGREEMENT W/SEC, CONSENTS TO FEDERAL COURT ORDER BARRING FUTURE VIOLATIONS US SECURITIES LAW. SEC OFFICIALS BELIEVE SETTLEMENT REPRESENTS 1ST TIME FON GOVT AGNCY HAS CONSENTED TO SUCH US COURT ORDER. FORMER PERTAMINA CHIEF SUTOWO CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING SIMILAR SETTLEMENT W/SEC (SCHORR, WSJ). UNCLASSIFIED

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#### 6. AUSTRALIA

IN SPECIAL STATEMENT THURS BEFORE PARLIAMENT ON ALLEGED US CIA INTERFERENCE IN AUSTRALIAN AFFAIRS, DEF MIN KILLEN

SAID JOINT US-AUSTRALIAN SPACE RESEARCH BASE NEAR ALICE SPRINGS HAD NOT BEEN USED AGAINST AUSTRALIAN INTERESTS (REUTER CANBERRA).

#### 7. THAILAND

RTG/US SIGNED NEW ECON/TECH COOPERATION AGREEMENT THURS UNDER WHICH THAILAND WILL RECEIVE 20.3 MILLION DOLSS IN DEVELOPMENT AID THIS YR (REUTER BANGKOK).

#### 8. CHINA

NCNA (PEKING) BRAODCAST REPORTS PLA WILL PURIFY ITS LEADERSHIP" AS PART STRUGGLE AGAINST /GANG OF 4" (HK, WP).

VICE CHAIRMAN OF KIANGSI PROVINCIAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE, HUANG CHIH-CHEN, THURS TOLD FIRST GROUP REPORTERS TO VISIT NANCHANG SINCE LAST YR'S POL STRIFE T,A; MAO/HUA HAD COMTO HIS RESCUE AFTER HE WAS TAKEN PRISONOR BY YOUNG RADICALS AT HEIGHT '76 POL FACTIONALISM. SAID MAO/HUA SENT CABLE ORDERING HUANG CAPTORS RELEASE HIM. HUANG DIDN'T AY

HOW LONG HELD. OTHER OFFICIALS TOLD HOW "GANG OF 4" FOLLOWERS LAST YR HAD SABOTAGED PROVINCES AGR/INDUSTRY/ REPORTED SITUATION HAS IMPROVED DRAMA; ICALLY NOW (DAVID ROGERS, RE UTER PEKING).

IXTEENTH GYALWA KARMAPA LEADER OF KA; YUPA ORDER OF TIBETAN BUDDHISM PRESIDED OVER 6/1 CONSECRATION RITES FOR ORDER'S FUTURE MONASTARY SITE IN KENT, NY. O; DER HOPES COMPLETE UNCLASSIFIED

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FIRST AMERICAN MONASTARY W/IN THREE YRS ON LAND GIVEN BY C.T. SHEN, CHAIRMAN/CHIEF EXEC OFFICER OF AMERICAN STEAMSHIP CO--REPORTEDLY LARGEST CARGO -ARRIER OPERATING ON GREAT LAKES. SHEN, PRACTICING BUDDHIST, SAID GAVE LAND TO ORDER BECAUSE IMPORTANCE BUDDHISM PLAYED IN HIS LIFE. ORDER WILL CONTINUE PAYING LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES (DAVID WHITE, NYT; PEC).

### 9. HONG KONG

RE'TER'S PAUL MAJENDIE NEWS FEATURE ON HK'S BOOMING TOURISM REPORTS VISITORS KEEP POURING IN, DESPITE COMPLAINTS RE TEEMING STRE-TS, PUSHY,SHOPKEEPERS, LACK OF TAXIS. VISITORS SPENT 85 MIL DOLSIN '76, SUM-UP 30 PCT OVER 75 FIGURES.

JAPANESE LEADING CUSTOMERS OF TOURIST TRADE, B'T HK OFFICIALS WANT ATTRACT HIGHER-INCOME GROUPS, SPECIALIZED MK-S AND HONEYMOONERS/THOSE OM GASTRONOMIC OR CULTURAL TOURS. ETC.

## COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

#### 10. KOREA

BEECH (BNA 5/30) SAYS NUMBER DOS/DOD OFFICIALS, SOME
SENS, AGAINST W/DRAWAL PLAN. QUOTES DOS OFFICIAL THAT
SKOREANS, "EVEN INCLUDING THE DISSIDENTS," AGAINST IT;
SO ARE JAPANESE/CHINESE/RUSSIANS. BEECH STATES W/O
US PRESENCE, PRC/USSR "MIGHT BE TEMPTED" SUPPORT NK
IN ANOTHER INVASION ATTEMPT. NOTES SOME US LIBERALS
ARGUE W/DRAWAL SHOULD TAKE PLACE TO SHOW DISAPPROVAL
PARK'S REPRESSIVE REGIME; SAYS PULLOUT MAY HAVE OPPOSITE
EFFECT, REMOVING ANY REMAINING LEVERAGE US MAY HAVE
ON PARK. QUOTES SKOREAN PROF THAT PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT
ON KOREANS UNDERESTIMATED; SAYS, "THEY WILL FEEL ABANDONED."

POLITICAL CARTOONISTS HAVING FIELD DAY W/KOREAN W/DRAWAL/UNCLASSIFIED

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SINGLAUB AFFAIR. LOCHER (CHITRIB) SHOWS PRES CARTER SAYING, "BASED ON CURRENT INFORMATION, WE CAN SCHEDULE TROOP WITHDRAWAL AND INDEPENDENCE FOR SOUTH KOREA IN 4 TO 5 YEARS;"; 2ND HALF CARTOON SHOWS NKOREAN GENRLS SAYING, "BASED ON CURRENT INFORMATION, WE CAN SCHEDULE TAKEOVER OF SOUTH KOREA IN ABOUT 4 TO 5 YEARS;"

SANDERS (CHI S-T 5/31) DEPICTS SK AS DEJECTED GRADUATE.
INCREDULOUS MAN MARKED "COLD WAR HAWKS" SAYS, "YOU MEAN YOU'RE ACTUALLY GOING TO SEND THIS POOR LITTLE TYKE OUT INTO THE CRUEL WORLD?"

MACNELLY (NYDN) SHOWS SINGLAUB, LOOKING OVER NK, SAYING TO JEEP DRIVER, "THIS IS A BAD SITUATION SOLDIER. IT COULD LEAD TO WAR." AFTER LARGE "KABOOM", CARTOON SHOWS BOMBER PILOT PRES CARTER FLYING AWAY, LEAVING CHARRED JEEP/SOLDIERS. DRIVER SAYS, "I THINK YOU HAVE A POINT, GENERAL SINGLAUB."

HESSE (BNA 6/1) DEPICTS CARTER KICKING SINGLAUB, W/CAPTION, "WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE--ANDY YOUNG?"

### 11. INDOCHINA

DRUMMOND (CSM) NOTES PROTESTS AT COLUMBIA U OVER POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT HAK. SEES ACADEMIC FREEDOM'S ENEMIES AS AUTOCRATS OF LEFT. POINTS OUT NIXON/HAK DID NOT TAKE US INTO VN WAR, JFK DID; NIXON/HAK DID NOT BEGIN CAMBODIAN

INCURSION, NVN DID. ADDS US SOUGHT SAVE SOLDIERS' LIVES BY DEPRIVING HANOI OF SANCTUARIES IT HAD SEIZED FROM CAMBODIA; CONCLUDES THIS NO ACT OF IMMORALITY.

BACHMAN (GLOBE) RECALLS CONFUSION/ILLUSIONS/HARSH REALITIES OF "GRUNT'S" LIFE DURING VN WAR. NOTES OBSERVERS HAD IMPULSE SUPPORT DUBIOUS PREMISE THAT EVIL ON 1 HAND IMPLIED GOOD ON OTHER; PATTERNS DERIVED FAR AWAY DISIN-UNCLASSIFIED

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TEGRATED CLOSE-UP. OPINES POLICY-PLANNERS SAW TOO MUCH THAT WAS IMAGINARY. SAYS NOW RHETORIC FROM HANOI LESS SHRILL/RELS TO BE "NORMALIZED/DOMINOES PUT AWAY. CONCLUDES IF THERE WERE MEN WHO COULD NOT SEE IN 1957 THAT WAR NEED NEVER HAVE BEEN FOUGHT, OTHERS NOT GOING SEE IT IN 1977.

#### 12. CHINA

HARSCH (CSM) SAYS PRES' NOTRE DAME FOREIGN POLICY SPEECH DESERVES MORE ATTENTION THAT RECEIVED, SINCE IN IT CARTER IDENTIFIES ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCES BETW/WORLD PREDECESSORS AND WORLD IN WHICH HE WILL BE MAKING MAJOR DECISIONS. CARTER IDENTIFIED OLD WORLD BEHIND US AS ONE IN WHICH US SOUGHT CONTAIN SOV EXPANSIONISM BY ALMOST EXCLUSIVE ALLIANCE W/NON-COMMUNIST NATIONS--WHICH LED US TO 18 YRS PRESUMABLY IMPLACABLE/UNBRIDGEABLE HOSTILITY WITH PRC/DEPRIVED US OF ADVANTAGE DERIVED FROM ALLOWING NATURAL SINO-SOV RIVALRIES DEVELOP.

HARSCH SAYS THINGS DIFFERENT NOW, THOUGH CARTER DIDN'T CAUSE CHANGE; BIGGEST SINGLE CAUSE CHANGE WAS NIXON VISIT PRC REOPENING US-CHINA COMMUNICATIONS. SAYS IMPORTANT THING WHETHER NEW PRES GRASPS MEANING OF DIFFERENCE/INTENDS OPERATE W/IN NEW DIMENSIONS. FEELS SPEECH SHOWS CARTER DOES GRASP MEANING, AND DIFFERENCE SHOWS UP MOST CLEARLY IN CARTER STATEMENT: "WE SEE THE AMERICAN-CHINESE RELATIONSHIP AS A CENTRAL ELEMENT IN OUR GLOBAL POLICY AND CHINA AS A KEY FORCE FOR GLOBAL PEACE.

ACCORDING HARSCH, THAT IMPOSSIBLE IN OLD WORLD OF VIET WAR ERA; CHINA COULD NOT HAVE BEEN CENTRAL ELEMENT IN US FOREIGN POLICY UNDER JFK/LBJ;EARLY NIXON ERA. SEES DIFFERENCE ALSO IN EMPHASIS ON HUMAN RTS/ATTITUDE TOWARD THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES.

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WP CARRIES LONGER VERSION ROSS MUNRO ARTICLE WHICH MAINTAINS PROSPECTS FOR FULL RELS BETWEEN US-PRC FADING

(SEE 6/1 EA NEWS SUMMARY).

NYT'S MALCOLM (TOKYO) OBSERVES PRC, IN HIGHLY UNUSUAL DISPLAY OFFICIAL CANDOR, DESCRIBES LAST SUMMER'S TANGSHAN EARTHQUAKE AS MOST DEADLY IN CHINA IN MORE THAN FOUR CENTURIES. CHINESE SELECTED CINNA AND LARRISSA LOMNITZ (HUSBAND/WIFE RESEARCH TEAM FROM NATIONAL UNIV OF MEXICO) AS BEARERS TO WORLD OF FIRST OFFICIAL, ALBEIT PARTIAL, DESCRIPTION OF TANGSHAN DISASTER. COUPLE VISITED PRC UNDER SINO-MEX SCIENTIFIC/CULTURAL EXCHANGE; SAID BRIEFINGS ON QUAKE, PREVIOUSLY SECRET INFO, GIVEN AS COURTESY TO FELLOW MEMBERS OF 3RD WORLD.

SINCE DISASTER, QUAKE POLITICAL ISSUE. LOMNITZ FOUND EVIDENCE FACTIONAL INFIGHTING/PURGES INHIBITED SCIENTISTS FROM TAKING POL RISKS OF MAKING UNCERTAIN QUAKE PREDICTIONS. HUA HAS ENCOURAGED SCIENTIFIC INQURY/TOLD PRC SEISMOLOGISTS NEED NOT FEAR PUNISHMENT FOR MAKING INACCURATE QUAKE PREDICTIONS. LOMNITZES IMPRESSED WITH PRC EFFORTS ON QUAKE STUDIES/PREDICTIONS, BELIEVE WEST HAS LOT TO LEARN. NO IMMINENT WARNING ISSUED FOR TANGSHAN QUAKE, BUT LOMINTZES TOLD LOCAL RC NOW AUTHORIZED ISSUE IMMEDIATE QUAKE WARNINGS IN ORDER SAVE TIME. CHINESE SAID MAKING TREMENDOUS INVESTMENT MONEY/MANPOWER. MRS. LOMNITZ SAID FOUND YOUTHFUL SCIENTISTS TIGHTLY KNIT/ STRONGLY MOTIVATED/EAGER TALK SHOP.

REUTER'S GRIFFITHS (PEKING) NOTES CHINA'S FIRST NATIONAL TOY EXHIBITION HELD ON INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY. IN PEKING, CHILDREN OF FOREIGN DIPS TRY OUT LATEST PRC EXPORT PRODUCT--REALISTIC AK-47. GRIFFITHS COMMENTS POLITICS NEVER FORGOTTEN IN PRC EVEN IN TOYLAND/DESCRIBES MILITARY/POLITICALLY ORIENTATED TOYS. ARTICLE ALSO NOTES "PD" FOR LAST TWO DAYS DEVOTED SELF TO CHILDREN UNCLASSIFIED

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W/STORY HOW HUA CARED FOR THREE ORPHAN GIRLS. WHILE HUNAN COUNTY SECRETARY, HUA BEFRIENDED GIRLS WHO DECIDED TAKE HIS FAMILY NAME, ACCORDING "PD." BRIEFER VERSION IN WP.

FROM CANTON, SUN'S ISAACS COMMENTS CHINA SONGS FINE IF YOU IGNORE WORDS. WRITES OF PERFORMANCE GIVEN BY SONG AND DANCE ENSEMBLE OF TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION PRESENTED IN CANTON TO CHINESE/FOREIGN AUDIENCE/SAYS NOT SINGLE NON-POLITICAL FOLKLORE NUMBER AMONG 24 SONGS/DANCES. SONGS PRAISED MAO/CHOU AND HUA. SHOW ILLUSTRATED SHIFT TAKEN PLACE IN PUBLICIZING HUA. ISAACS SAYS SHOW LEFT ONE WONDERING ABOUT REALITIES OF WHAT SEEN IN PRC--WHETHER CHINESE AWARE/CARE ABOUT IMPRESSION OF THIS SORT MADE ON WESTERN VIEWER.

13. GENERAL

WSJ NOTES UPCOMING 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF MARSHALL PLAN, LAUDS RESULTS. NOTES PRESENT DEMAND FROM LDCS FOR FUNDS; OPINES CARTER ADMIN TOO QUICK TO SUPPORT SUCH DUBIOUS CLAIMS. POINTS TO TAIWAN/SK/SINGAPORE/HK/BRAZIL AS PROSPEROUS AREAS THAT SHUNNED "STATIST PRESCRIPTIONS." VANCE

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